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Applicant(s): Bilyeu et al.
Appl. No.: 09/971,993
Filed: October 5, 2001
Title: GAMING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF GAMING INCLUDING
INTERACTIVE GAMING SYMBOLS FOR PRODUCING DIFFERENT
OUTCOMES
Art Unit: 3714
Examiner: Tramar Yong Harper
Docket No.: 112300-4339

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

| Application Type | FILING FEES | | SEARCH FEES | | EXAMINATION FEES | | Fees Paid (\$) |
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| | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | |
| Utility | 310 | 155 | 510 | 255 | 210 | 105 | _____ |
| Design | 210 | 105 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | _____ |
| Plant | 210 | 105 | 310 | 155 | 160 | 80 | _____ |
| Reissue | 310 | 155 | 510 | 255 | 620 | 310 | _____ |
| Provisional | 210 | 105 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | _____ |

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

| Total Claims | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) | Multiple Dependent Claims | |
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| HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20. | | | | 210 | 105 |

| Indep. Claims | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) | Multiple Dependent Claims |
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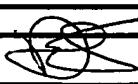
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